AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently Amended) A vehicle wheel comprising: a wheel base unit having a disk portion and a rim portion; and a cover attached to the wheel base unit portion, wherein the cover has deformable narrow spoke portions for partially covering[[,]] along a radial direction of the wheel, a disk radial portion interconnecting the rim portion and a hub attachment portion to be connected to an axle, with the deformable narrow spoke potions provided with [[a]] thin, deformable parts covering the approximately middle part of the disk radial portion.
- 2. (canceled)
- 3. (Previously Presented) The vehicle wheel of claim 1, wherein the deformable narrow spoke portions of the cover have an inside surface shape to come into contact with a covered surface of the outside surface of the disk radial portion covered with the deformable narrow spoke portions.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The vehicle wheel of claim 3, wherein the deformable narrow spoke portions have side edges to come into contact with a covered surface of the disk radial portion.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The vehicle wheel of claim 1, wherein the disk radial portion of the wheel base unit is shaped to be raised axially outward.
- 6. (New) The vehicle wheel of claim 1, wherein the thin, deformable part is positioned so that side edge portions of the disk radial portion on either side of the thin, deformable part are

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visible and extend radially outward from side edges of the thin, deformable part.

- 7. (New) The vehicle wheel of claim 1, wherein the deformable narrow spoke portion covers less the entire surface of the disk radial portion.
- 8. (New) A vehicle wheel comprising:

 a wheel base unit having a rim portion and a disk portion, the disk portion including a hub attachment portion to be attached to an axle and a disk radial portion interconnecting the rim portion and the hub attachment portion; and

 a cover attached to the wheel base unit portion, the cover including deformable narrow spoke portions for partially covering the disk radial portions along a radial direction of the wheel while leaving part of the disk radial portions exposed, wherein the deformable narrow spoke portions include thin deformable parts covering approximately a middle part of the disk radial portions.